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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to congratulate Assistant Chief
4 Rodney Oxe on his retirement from the Batavia Fire Department;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, He began his career with the Batavia Fire
7 Department as a paid, on-call firefighter on April 7, 1971,
8 after serving in Vietnam; he was promoted to Lieutenant on
9 November 17, 1975, to Captain on January 18, 1984, and to his
10 current position as Assistant Chief on August 5, 1992; and

11 WHEREAS, He has also served as the Department Mechanic
12 since January of 1984; in addition, he also worked full-time at
13 the Fermi Lab Fire Department from 1977 to 2008; and

14 WHEREAS, During his time with the Fire Department,
15 Assistant Chief Oxe has been instrumental in the purchase of
16 all the fire apparatus and writing specifications for the
17 vehicles purchased; he has also been responsible for the daily
18 maintenance of the entire fleet; and

19 WHEREAS, He was named Firefighter of the Year in 1990 and
20 has served as Incident Commander and Acting Fire Chief in times
21 of need; and

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2 WHEREAS, He holds a bachelor's degree in Fire Service
3 Administration and many certifications, including Firefighter
4 III, Emergency Medical Technician B, Fire Officer II, Fire
5 Prevention Officer I, Instructor II, Tunnel Rescue, Fire
6 Apparatus Engineer, Confined Space and Trench Rescue, and the
7 highest certification for a fire department mechanic,
8 Emergency Vehicle Technician; and

9 WHEREAS, He is a member of the Kane County Fire Chiefs
10 Association, the Illinois Fire Chiefs Association, and the
11 Illinois Fire Apparatus Mechanics Association, where he served
12 as President in 1988, 1990, and 1991; and

13 WHEREAS, He and his wife, Sharron, are the proud parents of
14 Daryn and Dawn and the proud grandparents of Sawyer, Spencer,
15 Sydni, and Taylor; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
17 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
18 we congratulate Assistant Chief Rodney Oxe on his retirement
19 and wish him all the best in his future endeavors; and be it
20 further

21 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
22 presented to Assistant Chief Rodney Oxe as a symbol of our

1 respect and esteem.